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Dear Sir:

In the statement of reasons for allowance the Examiner provided various reasons for allowance. Applicants note that the claims are directed to various combinations of features. It is respectfully submitted that the patentability of each of the allowed and allowable claims resides in every feature of the recited combination of features of the claims in addition to the features noted by the Examiner.

Additionally, the Examiner has indicated on Page 4 of the Notice of Allowability that Applicants made the election of claims without traverse. Applicants respectfully submit that the election of claims was made with traverse.

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